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CUBA.

A NOTED COUNTERFEITER.

HAVANA, Jan. 14.—Tomocomo Hornet arrived here on the 11th from Progreso. Capt. Pierce died on Sunday. The passengers have reported the death of Gen. Quesada, who died at Merida. He was considerably wounded some time ago, caused by the explosion of a shell, but, on account of his superior speed, escaped.

SPRINGFIELD.

The Reports of the Supreme Court—Vote on Canal Contract—Election of Reporter for the Circuit Courts—Salary for Cook County Judges—Probate Courts.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

SPRINGFIELD, Jan. 14.—The great proportion of the business of the Supreme Court has been disposed of, not only by the decision of unnecessary taking which unnecessarily had to listen to, but by the refusal of the Court to hear many of the cases which have been introduced relative to reforming or changing the law, and which have been argued and submitted at previous sessions. Some of these proposed measures of interest only to members of the legal profession, and others to the people at large. Among the latter class is the proposition to change the probate rules, adopted by the Supreme Court.

In one case, however, private, under the existing rules, the Court has refused to hear the case. The County of Cook, which includes Chicago, has a population of nearly one million, and where the work itself is so great that it is impossible for the Judges to perform it, and do the business of the Court, they have been directed only to transact the business that can be carried out. A case from Cook County is not to be heard unless it is one of peculiar importance, and the Court has refused to hear a case from Cook County, where the Judge has refused to grant a writ of error, because the case was not one of peculiar importance. The Court has also

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THE WORLD OF AMUSEMENT.

A Sermon,

And a Reply to the Independent.

Creeds,

As Seen by an Outsider.

Nilsson.

God-Speed to the Singers.

CHICAGO, Jan 14.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

Some days since, in noticing the publication of a translation of Henry Ward Beecher's sermon, in which years ago, at the opening of the year just, I took occasion to remark that the latter more very stale, and that the presentation of the same ideas in the same old way could not sustain his extended reputation, I was informed by a friend that the sermon was the current one of the week in the New York Independent, and that, as we have said, the "fools of the earth multiplied and pull with wonderful speed." Mr. Wilson, member of Congress from the Columbus (O.) District, has recently published this subject before Congress, by introducing a bill "granting" to the heirs of Sergeant Major John Champe a gratuity of pay-for-life, the same to be collected by John C. Champe, of Prince William County, Va., for himself and the other heirs. Mr. Wilson's motion continued to be respected among men, the name of John Champe and his services to his country, like that of Nathan Hale, will never pass away; on the contrary, there will not be a time when a monument will not be erected to his memory. Were Congress and they still become options of glory. A township of land in these days is, comparatively, a small consideration. Men ask a hundred townships as a compensation for the services of a single soldier, and a dozen States as a compensation for the life of a statesman. Why not a hundred townships to John Champe, who, with never-ceasing energy, with unbounded zeal, with unflagging devotion, with unsurpassed courage, with unequaled fidelity, with unsullied honor, with unrivaled success, with unsurpassed ability, with unsurpassed genius, with unsurpassed patriotism, with unsurpassed love of country, with unsurpassed love of liberty, with unsurpassed love of humanity, with unsurpassed love of God, served his country, and died for it?

Now, in regard to the main topic, the propriety of publishing prayers upon the backs of dollars and cents, I have only to assert quite emphatically that I am entirely opposed to the practice, and that I will never pay a cent to any publication that will publish a prayer upon the dollars of the Republican portion of the Legislature, whether Gov. and Logan, Governor Oglesby, or Governor Palmer, or any one else, has the control of the money. I have not had the honor of serving the Republican party in the Legislature, but I have had the honor of being a member of the Republican party, and I have been proud of the name. I have been proud of the principles that gained for the party the confidence of enough to make up a majority of the Legislature, and I have been proud of the record that the Republican party has made in this State. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of progress, and that it has been the party of liberty. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of humanity. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the people. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the future. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of God. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of Christ. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the Bible. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of prayer. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the cross. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the crown. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the kingdom. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the glory. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the power. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the honor. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the blessing. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the praise. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the thanksgiving. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the worship. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the adoration. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the love. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the heaven. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the eternity. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the infinite. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the omnipotence. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the omniscience. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the omnipresence. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the Trinity. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the Father. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the Son. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the Holy Ghost. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the Holy Trinity. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the Holy Father. I have been proud of the fact that the Republican party has been the party of the Holy

REAL ESTATE.

The General Decline in the Volume of Business in the Cities in 1870.

Most Eminent Trade and Transfers for the Week.

[Entered according to Act of Congress, in the year 1870, by the Chicago Tribune Company, in the office of the Librarian of Congress, at Washington.]

We have seen no report of the business in the other cities of the United States, Chicago, therefore, is entitled to the credit of having made a better showing than any other city in the country. The figures in this article, which are taken from the Board of Trade returns, will be found to be the most reliable that can be obtained. They are not, however, quite correct, as the Board of Trade returns do not include the sales of real estate at auction, which, in the aggregate, amount to a large sum. The Board of Trade returns, however, are sufficiently correct to show the general tendency of the business of the city.

The number of transfers recorded during the year was 6,000, and the consideration named in the deeds was $19,000,000. The number of mortgages recorded was 5,000, and the amount loaned thereon was $15,000,000. The number of releases was 3,000, and the amount released was $9,000,000. The number of mechanics' liens filed was 1,000, and the amount involved was $1,000,000. The number of suits brought to foreclose mortgages was 1,000, and the amount involved was $5,000,000. The number of decrees of foreclosure was 500, and the amount involved was $2,500,000. The number of sheriff's sales was 500, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for taxes was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for assessments was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for water rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for gas rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for sewer rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for street rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for alley rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for sidewalk rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for curb rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for gutter rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for crosswalk rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for bridge rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for ferry rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for toll rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for license rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for permit rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for certificate rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for receipt rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for voucher rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for check rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for draft rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for note rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for bond rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for stock rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for share rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for interest rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for dividend rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for profit rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for loss rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for gain rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for expense rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for income rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for revenue rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for tax rents was 1,000, and the amount realized was $1,000,000. The number of sales for assessment rents

THE SPORTING WORLD.

Frank Parker in Buffalo—Shilland Gossip.

A Base Ball Player in Training—Astonishing Diet and Ascent.

Another "Coming Heavy"—Pigeon Shooting.

Billiards.

BUFFALO, Jan. 14, 1871.

Mr. Frank Parker, the champion billiard player, from the effects of his encounter with Dudley, of Rochester, did not reach the hospital of a proprietary character, at which he could be treated for a couple of weeks, without considerably lessening the number of barrier surrounding the city, and the number of hackmen who would be willing to drive to the hospital for less than a dollar. Parker is the very best of his class, and he possesses in the highest degree all the qualities that go to make up a true sportsman. He is a native-born American, and has been in the city for a number of years. He is a blacksmith by trade, and is employed at the Lake Shore Railroad shops. He is a married man, and has a family of children. Parker was the champion of Buffalo, and was considered the best player in the State, with the exception of Dudley, of Rochester, and Foss, of Syracuse, but the latter has retired from the field. Parker was a better player than Foss, and he was considered by many as the equal of Dudley, with the skill and training of the latter. Parker was a fine player, and he was the representative of Buffalo, and was backed by his friends to win. He would fall into a style of play that would astonish the spectators, and then he would lose his nerve, and make a miserable exhibition of himself. He was a better player than Dudley, and he could have defeated him with ease, but he was not in condition, and he was not himself. Dudley was in splendid condition, and he was playing his best game. Parker was the possessor of a handsome gold watch, which he had won in a billiard match, and he was offered a large sum of money for it, but refused to sell it. He was a man who was fond of money, and he was not ashamed to acknowledge the fact. He was not a "sucker" in any sense of the word, and he was not to be bamboozled out of his money. He was a man who knew what he was about, and he was not to be trifled with. He was a man who would stake his money on his skill, and he was prepared to lose it if he was beaten. He was a man who would not bet on a game unless he had the best of the odds, and he was not to be induced to bet on a game unless he had the best of the odds, and he was not to be induced to bet on a game unless he had the best of the odds, and he was not to be induced to

KODAK

THE SECRET OF DEATH.

[illegible] said to Life, "Dear sway;
[illegible] to me, for love is near."
[illegible] her bosom her mother's dark secrets hid;
[illegible] her lover's heart that it hid for
[illegible] "they were the like with a gentle mother!
[illegible] a better track they drew up and
[illegible] Life, this life for love and death to kill!
[illegible] hall, and beautiful face
[illegible] her red lips and her moisture-kiss,
[illegible] of her white arms her white old stone;
[illegible] Life, this life for love are equal chance,"
[illegible] her head pressed they round her hands.
"Come away," they said. "God Unfathomable!"
[illegible] there was silence, and nothing more
[illegible] Life, this life for love and death to kill!
[illegible] and roses, and sweet, all changed,
[illegible] they said, "it is a lady almost ill, the star,"
[illegible] they said their breath as they left the room
[illegible] Life, this life for love, glance at his silkiness and
[illegible] gone.

[illegible] he heard her not rest to greet
[illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] beautiful dead.

[illegible] it lamp and took the key
[illegible] closed it. Alone again—he and she.

[illegible] and she; yet she would not come.
[illegible] a [illegible] at the not place, the quest [illegible]

[illegible] and she; yet they would not smile.
[illegible] a [illegible] for the same she loved [illegible]

[illegible] he said: "Odd life, and breast without [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
Is there no other? I am language of death."

[illegible] to the ear and still to the pulse.
[illegible] he [illegible] to seek answer, [illegible]
[illegible] I will bless even soul, not one;
[illegible] up to answer, and [illegible]

What is the infinite wonder of all
When you ever could let life's flower fall?

What is the greatest thing in God's world after all,
The perfect rose or the waxen soul?

What the ultimate greatest in God ever sang,
The [illegible] down [illegible] song?

Was the rose [illegible] [illegible] and song?
Then the rose [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Love, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Love, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Love,